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Summary

U. S. imports of specified condiments and flavoring materials during 1967 totaled \$59.6 million, compared with 1966 imports of \$61.5 million. The volume of black and white pepper imports rose substantially, reflecting lower prices and rebuilding of inventories. Because of declining domestic production, mustard seed imports again increased sharply over those of the year before, rising to more than double the 1965 level. Sesame seed imports also continued to increase, jumping 27 percent over the 1966 level. Allspice (pimento) imports were more than halved, and vanilla-bean imports fell by nearly one-third as manufacturers and importers continued to draw upon stocks. The decline in cassia shipments was offset by larger imports of cinnamon. Imports of turmeric were also noticeably reduced.

At the 1967 Kennedy Round negotiations, the United States granted tariff reductions for many spices and condiments. As most unground spices already enter duty free, major reductions involved ground or processed spices, or were items of minor commercial importance. Some notable concessions were the duty reductions on ground or prepared mustard from 3.4 cents per pound to 2 cents and on whole mustard seed from 0.875 cents per pound to 0.43 cents. The levy of 7.5 cents per pound on vanilla beans will be eliminated; however, no concessions were granted for capers, paprika, and capsicum peppers (anaheim and ancho types).

World Trade

Black and white pepper: World exports of black and white pepper (*Piper nigrum* L.) during 1966 totaled 151 million pounds, up 6 percent over the previous year and well above the 1960-64 average of 132 million pounds. Increased exports were recorded by both India and Indonesia; however, the gains were partly offset by smaller shipments from Sarawak, Brazil, the Malagasy Republic, Cambodia, and Ceylon.

World pepper prices continued to decline in 1967, reflecting larger supplies and the easing of Malaysia-Indonesian tensions. New York wholesale black-pepper prices averaged 38.4 cents per pound in 1967, compared with 43.3 in the year before and 47.9 during 1965. January 1968 prices were 38.8 cents per pound, up 1 cent from prices in the corresponding 1967 month.

U. S. pepper imports in 1967 totaled 56.1 million pounds valued at \$15.9 million, 48 percent over the 1966 level. The larger imports were attributed to lower prices and to building up of inventories. Nearly all of the increase was accounted for by larger purchases from Indonesia, while imports from India fell sharply.

India's pepper exports during 1966 amounted to a near-record 54.8 million pounds, nearly 10 percent over 1965 shipments. Despite another large crop, exports during January-October 1967--at 40.9 million pounds--have decreased 18 percent from those in the corresponding 1966 period. The sharp decline is attributed to the higher price levels of Indian pepper; importers are buying lower-quality pepper from other producers whose prices have been generally as much as 7-12 cents per pound cheaper.

Indonesian exports in 1966 totaled 46.3 million pounds, up significantly over the previous year but still under 1964 shipments of 51.7 million pounds. The unusually small 1965 exports of 27.3 million pounds was attributed to a reduced harvest and to retention of stocks by farmers and exporters.

Brazilian exports in 1966 fell more than 2 million pounds from the record 1965 level to 14.1 million pounds. Shipments during the first 6 months of 1967 totaled 7.4 million pounds, almost double those in the corresponding 1966 period.

Exports by Sarawak declined sharply in 1966 from the large 1965 shipments of 39.5 million pounds to 29.2 million. However, exports during 1967 picked up significantly, amounting to a near record 43.6 million pounds.

Vanilla beans: World vanilla exports in 1966 totaled 2.7 million pounds, down 14.5 percent from the 1965 level of 3.2 million but still above the 1960-64 average of 2.1 million. Nearly all producing countries recorded declines, reflecting smaller sales to the United States--world's largest importer and consumer of vanilla.

Because of continued inventory reduction, U. S. vanilla-bean imports in 1967 totaled only 1.28 million pounds valued at \$5.6 million, down 31 percent from imports of the year before and well under 1965 imports of 2.16 million pounds. U. S. vanilla purchases in 1967 were far short of the amount agreed upon under the marketing quota arrangement between the Malagasy Republic, the Comoro Islands, Reunion, and the U. S. Vanilla Bean and Flavoring Extract Manufacturers Association. This agreement called for a 1967 export-quota allotment to the United States of 1.87 million pounds at an f.o.b. price of \$4.63 per pound. However, under the agreement, any unsold portion of the quota would be

automatically cancelled without penalty. U. S. imports from the respective Indian Ocean producers in 1967 amounted to only 1 million pounds, 870,000 short of the agreed quota allotment.

For 1968, the Indian Ocean producers have allocated a vanilla export quota of 1.66 million pounds for shipment to the United States and Canada and a quota of 727,500 pounds for European destinations. Of the U. S.-Canadian quota, 782,600 pounds are allocated for shipment during the first 6 months and the balance during the remainder of the year. In addition, producers have announced price increases of between 23 and 45 cents per pound, depending on quality, over the \$4.63-cent rate agreed upon under the 1967 quota arrangement. The new prices will be effective through the end of the year, and if the 1968 quota is met, renewal by the producers is assured.

Current New York spot Bourbon vanilla prices are being quoted at \$5.50-\$5.75 per pound, up from \$5.20-\$5.50 prior to the price increase stipulated in the new quota agreement.

Specified condiments and flavoring materials:
United States imports, 1966-67

Condiments and flavoring materials ^{1/}	1966	1967 ^{2/}
	<u>pounds</u>	<u>dollars</u>
Allspice (pimento).....	1,926	1,774
Anise Seed.....	266	73
Basil.....	138	40
Capers.....	2,482	445
Capsicum or Red Peppers.....	10,705	2,300
(ground).....	3,807	953
Caraway Seed.....	7,151	1,260
Cardamon Seed.....	208	682
Cassia.....	10,583	6,218
Celery Seed.....	2,725	462
Cinnamon.....	2,313	1,021
Cloves.....	2,098	719
Coriander Seed.....	3,465	293
Cummin Seed.....	3,452	1,110
Curry & Curry Powder.....	23	12
Dill Seed.....	677	86
Fennel Seed.....	765	128
Ginger Root.....	5,212	948
(ground).....	11	4
Laurel Leaves.....	535	98
Mace.....	529	663
Marjoram.....	1,482	315
Mint Leaves.....	44	26
(manufactured)	45	25
Mustard Seed.....	52,383	3,365
(ground)	1,159	502
Nutmegs.....	4,180	3,494
Origanum Leaves.....	2,524	730
(manufactured).....	5	2
Paprika ^{4/}	11,890	4,094
Parsley.....	28	5
(manufactured).....	47	20
Pepper, black.....	33,939	12,185
Pepper, white.....	3,827	1,939
(black & white ground).....	3	1
Poppy Seed.....	6,852	1,581
Rosemary.....	352	23
Sage.....	1,479	352
(ground or rubbed).....	2	1
Savory.....	106	11
Sesame Seed.....	28,202	4,638
Tarragon.....	14	8
Thyme.....	785	164
Turmeric	3,794	487
Vanilla Beans.....	1,852	8,196
Mixed Spices.....	67	21
Total value.....	---	61,474

^{1/} Unground unless otherwise specified.

^{2/} Preliminary.

^{3/} Market value in country of origin, exclusive of import duty, freight and insurance charges.

^{4/} Ground and unground.

United States: Imports of specified condiments and flavoring
materials by country of origin, 1966-67

Commodity and origin 1/	1966		1967 2/	
	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars
ALLSPICE (PIMENTO):				
British Honduras	76.6	41.5	5.4	2.7
Guatemala	412.2	353.8	70.3	47.1
Haiti	---	---	17.8	12.6
Honduras	299.0	270.8	101.6	67.3
Jamaica	1,047.8	1,022.2	603.0	499.2
Mexico	74.6	77.1	75.4	51.8
Nicaragua	5.0	4.2	---	---
Spain	11.0	3.9	8.3	3.1
Total	1,926.2	1,773.5	881.8	683.8
ANISE SEED:				
Lebanon	---	---	1.1	.3
Mexico	4.5	1.6	107.7	26.9
Spain	223.3	65.3	439.2	112.0
Syria	4.2	.5	---	---
Tanzania	9.1	1.6	---	---
Turkey	14.3	2.6	---	---
Yugoslavia	10.7	1.7	---	---
Total	266.1	73.3	548.0	139.2
BASIL:				
Belgium	11.6	4.0	---	---
France	23.0	7.9	---	---
Hungary	98.9	27.3	77.5	22.2
Indonesia	---	---	22.3	12.8
Yugoslavia	4.2	1.1	---	---
Total	137.7	40.3	99.8	35.0
CAPERS:				
Algeria	---	---	77.2	12.6
Morocco	1,263.5	226.5	864.6	242.2
Spain	1,215.4	216.9	1,309.2	281.9
Other	3.2	1.2	.4	.3
Total	2,482.1	444.6	2,251.4	537.0
CAPSIUM, CAYENNE OR RED PEPPERS:				
Chile	145.6	29.4	23.1	5.0
Ethiopia	44.1	9.4	44.9	10.6
Haiti	3.3	1.1	2.9	1.1
Italy	11.0	6.8	19.3	11.3
Japan	2,880.6	704.1	3,063.0	874.0
Kenya	45.7	11.8	9.8	3.6
Mexico	6,499.7	1,207.6	5,699.9	945.4
Nigeria	217.9	41.8	78.4	15.7
Spain	22.0	8.4	---	---
Taiwan	5.0	1.6	78.7	20.6
Tanzania	111.2	30.9	164.8	48.6
Turkey	363.8	92.7	1,118.6	294.8
Uganda	299.3	138.9	69.9	22.1
Others	55.5	15.7	238.9	96.8
Total	10,704.7	2,300.2	10,612.2	2,349.6

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United States: Imports of specified condiments and flavoring
materials by country of origin, 1966-67--Continued

Commodity and origin 1/	1966		1967 2/	
	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars
CAPSICUM, CAYENNE OR RED PEPPERS, (Ground):				
Ethiopia	---	---	49.5	24.6
Japan	19.3	5.5	.4	.3
Kenya	19.1	3.5	4.1	.9
Mexico	3,768.8	944.4	4,118.2	1,022.4
Yugoslavia	---	---	11.0	2.5
Other	---	---	11.1	2.4
Total	3,807.2	953.4	4,194.3	1,053.1
CARAWAY SEED:				
Denmark	---	---	73.5	11.2
Lebanon	5.5	.8	---	---
Netherlands	6,189.7	1,100.5	4,609.8	772.5
Poland	955.3	158.5	2,155.1	334.1
Total	7,150.5	1,259.8	6,838.4	1,117.8
CARDAMON SEED:				
Ceylon	18.4	53.5	9.9	18.9
Costa Rica	12.3	39.5	5.3	11.1
Guatemala	112.8	358.0	108.4	317.4
Honduras	12.6	30.6	---	---
India	48.1	183.7	62.7	235.5
Other	4.2	16.3	.9	3.9
Total	208.4	681.6	187.2	586.8
CASSIA:				
Ceylon	29.0	27.9	---	---
India	---	---	68.3	55.5
Indonesia	10,054.7	5,830.5	7,904.8	5,515.4
Malagasy Republic	---	---	17.4	5.5
Malaysia	---	---	228.8	97.6
Netherlands	---	---	22.0	9.9
Seychelles	---	---	11.2	2.3
Taiwan	56.0	6.3	196.7	28.5
Vietnam, South	442.8	353.5	74.1	59.1
Total	10,582.5	6,218.2	8,523.3	5,773.8
CELERY SEED:				
France	163.9	61.5	207.6	73.7
India	2,561.5	400.3	2,840.9	452.8
Indonesia	---	---	67.3	12.0
Total	2,725.4	461.8	3,115.8	538.5
CINNAMON:				
Ceylon	639.3	747.1	1,080.6	1,240.1
India	---	---	22.5	3.6
Indonesia	---	---	23.8	29.2
Kenya	90.1	13.7	47.2	6.0
Malagasy Republic	390.9	73.8	482.2	93.2
Seychelles	1,050.8	148.2	2,528.5	365.7
Tanzania	18.9	2.4	56.3	8.9
Others	122.9	35.6	112.0	29.4
Total	2,312.9	1,020.8	4,353.1	1,776.1

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United States: Imports of specified condiments and flavoring materials by country of origin, 1966-67--Continued

Commodity and origin 1/	1966		1967 2/	
	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars
CLOVES:				
Ceylon	2.2	2.2	13.4	11.7
Indonesia	6.7	6.2	21.0	7.3
Malagasy Republic	1,963.6	632.4	2,312.9	736.5
Malaysia	49.7	50.4	23.1	26.5
Mozambique	25.4	8.1	---	---
Tanzania	39.3	16.3	102.2	42.6
Turkey	11.0	3.5	11.0	3.5
Other	---	---	6.7	2.2
Total	2,097.9	719.1	2,490.3	830.3
CORIANDER SEED:				
Algeria	32.8	3.3	---	---
Argentina	196.5	19.5	15.6	1.9
India	21.8	2.2	---	---
Mexico	---	---	2.6	.3
Morocco	1,652.9	143.9	1,569.2	179.5
Nigeria	35.0	6.2	---	---
Poland	---	---	54.5	5.1
Romania	1,525.7	118.2	1,035.6	92.6
Turkey	---	---	32.7	3.2
Yugoslavia	---	---	32.3	2.5
Total	3,464.7	293.3	2,742.5	285.1
CUMMIN SEED:				
Cyprus	---	---	10.9	3.4
India	346.6	123.8	12.8	2.6
Indonesia	127.6	36.0	---	---
Iran	2,574.6	813.3	3,808.4	710.8
Japan	110.2	40.2	---	---
Lebanon	34.1	12.3	---	---
Morocco	3.9	1.4	---	---
Seychelles	---	---	11.5	1.4
Singapore	5.5	2.0	132.6	26.5
Syria	187.2	61.5	---	---
Turkey	62.5	19.3	44.1	10.6
Total	3,452.2	1,109.8	4,020.3	755.3
CURRY AND CURRY POWDER:				
India	14.9	8.4	39.3	25.9
Malaysia	4.9	1.9	---	---
Other	2.8	1.8	8.1	5.8
Total	22.6	12.1	47.4	31.7
DILL SEED:				
Germany, West3	.3	---	---
India	545.2	58.2	382.9	42.0
Mexico	108.1	24.9	125.5	27.0
Nepal	22.4	2.2	---	---
Netherlands	1.0	.3	---	---
Total	677.0	85.9	508.4	69.0
FENNEL SEED:				
Argentina	49.2	7.1	80.1	10.6
Brazil	43.6	3.0	---	---
Bulgaria	32.6	5.8	167.4	22.1
Germany, West	40.0	5.9	21.2	3.6
India	599.4	105.7	602.3	113.5
Italy3	.3	---	---
Hungary	---	---	43.1	3.8
Yugoslavia	---	---	6.5	.6
Total	765.1	127.8	920.6	154.2

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United States: Imports of specified condiments and flavoring
materials by country of origin, 1966-67--Continued

Commodity and origin 1/	1966		1967 2/	
	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars
GINGER ROOT:				
Fiji Islands	654.3	89.3	620.5	68.9
Hong Kong	29.4	3.4	1.6	.3
India	381.9	109.8	390.6	72.4
Jamaica	703.5	244.9	325.1	84.0
Nigeria	2,878.8	372.8	1,705.9	232.5
Sierra Leone	436.1	110.0	496.1	79.6
Taiwan	86.3	10.3	30.5	4.2
Other	41.9	7.7	124.9	24.2
Total	5,212.2	948.2	3,695.2	566.1
GINGER ROOT (Ground):				
Australia	11.2	4.3	---	---
Total	11.2	4.3	---	---
LAUREL LEAVES:				
Mexico	---	---	4.3	.7
Greece	11.0	9.0	---	---
Turkey	523.7	89.2	512.2	95.3
Total	534.7	98.2	516.5	96.0
MACE:				
Hong Kong	---	---	7.8	11.8
India	---	---	31.4	25.3
Indonesia	465.7	565.2	554.9	566.7
Leeward & Windward Islands	29.1	49.6	13.4	14.8
Malaysia	9.0	14.4	---	---
Netherlands	21.0	26.6	---	---
Singapore	2.2	3.8	13.4	13.0
Other	2.2	3.2	15.5	19.1
Total	529.2	662.8	636.4	650.7
MARJORAM:				
Chile	16.5	5.4	9.9	2.1
Dominican Republic	17.2	4.6	16.9	4.7
Egypt	---	---	3.3	1.6
France	314.1	123.5	307.9	125.2
Lebanon	58.8	11.2	4.5	1.0
Mexico	1,013.6	151.3	461.5	71.2
Peru	17.3	5.7	6.6	1.9
Poland	---	---	11.0	4.8
Romania	43.4	13.1	---	---
Other9	.3	.4	1.8
Total	1,481.8	315.1	822.0	214.3
MINT LEAVES (Crude):				
Bulgaria	11.0	8.3	8.8	5.4
Egypt	9.4	4.8	36.3	21.1
Germany, West	6.4	2.9	2.3	1.6
Lebanon	1.4	1.6	.7	.7
Romania	3.1	2.3	28.7	5.7
Yugoslavia	9.9	4.2	---	---
Other	3.2	1.8	4.3	2.5
Total	44.4	25.9	81.1	37.0
MINT LEAVES (Manufactured):				
Egypt	15.5	6.5	12.1	5.9
Germany, West	18.3	13.6	6.6	12.8
Italy	6.6	3.0	---	---
Other	4.1	1.5	7.0	4.7
Total	44.5	24.6	25.7	23.4

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United States: Imports of specified condiments and flavoring materials by country of origin, 1966-67--Continued

Commodity and origin 1/	1966		1967 2/	
	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars
MUSTARD SEED:				
Bulgaria	214.8	33.0	---	---
Canada	50,261.4	3,114.2	62,737.4	4,192.0
Denmark	1,005.3	92.4	3,751.1	316.9
Ethiopia	389.7	57.7	404.3	62.1
Germany, West	33.3	3.7	---	---
Italy	258.8	36.3	429.0	84.7
United Kingdom	219.5	27.5	231.7	28.5
Turkey	---	---	21.6	4.2
Total	52,382.8	3,364.8	67,575.1	4,688.4
MUSTARD (Ground):				
Austria	3.1	1.3	---	---
France	95.5	77.0	127.4	102.1
Germany, West	85.5	43.6	72.7	38.5
Netherlands	3.7	2.4	3.5	2.5
Sweden	5.6	2.1	2.7	1.2
United Kingdom	960.2	373.6	954.8	405.9
Other	5.5	2.4	3.7	1.9
Total	1,159.1	502.4	1,164.8	552.1
NUTMEGS:				
Ceylon	109.5	46.9	40.3	13.7
India	---	---	5.5	3.3
Indonesia	3,443.8	2,799.6	2,900.3	1,799.4
Leeward & Windward Islands	488.6	495.0	478.7	343.1
Netherlands	61.3	62.1	135.8	93.6
Trinidad	4.5	5.4	22.4	15.6
Other	72.5	84.7	92.4	63.2
Total	4,180.2	3,493.7	3,675.4	2,331.9
ORIGANUM (Crude):				
Canada	43.1	3.3	---	---
Dominican Republic	110.5	20.2	41.1	6.9
France	16.4	4.8	21.7	6.2
Germany, West	10.6	4.8	---	---
Greece	1,746.8	578.2	1,717.9	515.7
Italy	---	---	4.6	1.2
Mexico	561.5	113.3	934.8	157.5
Portugal	24.8	3.2	4.0	.5
Spain	4.0	1.2	---	---
Turkey	6.4	1.4	47.8	13.5
Total	2,524.1	730.4	2,771.9	701.5
ORIGANUM (Manufactured):				
Greece	5.0	1.6	---	---
Total	5.0	1.6	---	---

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United States: Imports of specified condiments and flavoring
materials by country of origin, 1966-67--Continued

Commodity and origin 1/	1966	1967 2/		
	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars
PAPRIKA: 3/				
Bulgaria	2,321.1	813.6	1,637.2	586.0
Chile	137.5	33.0	42.4	12.6
Ethiopia	---	---	33.7	7.5
Germany, West	28.6	9.2	44.7	28.4
Greece	65.5	14.4	148.8	35.8
Hungary	485.2	161.8	518.2	311.4
Morocco	2,131.1	618.7	2,711.6	786.7
Portugal	143.9	46.9	---	---
Romania	66.1	12.9	30.9	4.1
Spain	5,931.4	2,205.9	5,314.5	1,971.3
Turkey	139.5	45.7	418.4	146.8
Yugoslavia	390.5	119.7	707.6	235.5
Other	49.5	12.7	118.4	42.3
Total	11,889.9	4,094.5	11,726.4	4,168.4
PARSLEY (Crude):				
Canada	---	---	17.1	1.5
Dominican Republic	---	---	2.4	.8
Germany, West	---	---	2.2	1.4
Hungary	28.1	4.8	---	---
Total	28.1	4.8	21.7	3.7
PARSLEY (Manufactured):				
Belgium	9.1	2.5	47.4	18.4
France	---	---	1.7	1.1
Germany, West	21.6	11.8	52.3	29.1
Hungary	2.2	1.0	6.9	3.4
Netherlands	6.9	2.4	5.9	2.9
Portugal	---	---	6.4	3.7
Spain	---	---	11.0	2.4
Yugoslavia	7.5	2.0	9.4	3.5
Total	47.3	19.7	141.0	64.5
PEPPER, BLACK:				
Argentina	---	---	33.1	9.5
Brazil	4,439.6	1,534.6	7,158.1	1,849.6
Canada	44.8	14.7	---	---
Ceylon	190.4	77.1	112.0	45.1
Haiti	6.5	1.5	---	---
India	12,769.8	4,829.7	3,225.9	1,034.6
Indonesia	15,415.3	5,329.8	39,567.0	10,867.3
Jamaica	2.2	.9	---	---
Malaysia	921.3	342.1	882.3	247.9
Philippines	---	---	22.4	6.6
Singapore	102.2	37.5	404.6	115.6
Spain	---	---	10.0	3.0
United Kingdom	47.3	17.2	2.5	2.3
Total	33,939.4	12,185.1	51,417.9	14,181.5
PEPPER, WHITE:				
Brazil	274.0	135.5	396.0	139.7
Ceylon	22.4	11.6	---	---
India	---	---	22.4	8.4
Indonesia	3,399.1	1,729.2	4,169.9	1,564.0
Ivory Coast	8.6	2.4	---	---
Malaysia	33.6	16.4	39.2	15.0
Singapore	89.6	43.9	95.2	33.9
Total	3,827.3	1,939.0	4,722.7	1,761.0

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United States: Imports of specified condiments and flavoring
materials by country of origin, 1966-67--Continued

Commodity and origin 1/	1966		1967 2/	
	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars
PEPPER, BLACK AND WHITE (Ground):				
Canada	---	---	1.0	2.8
Not specified	3.0	.6	---	---
Total	3.0	.6	1.0	2.8
POPPY SEED:				
Austria	22.5	4.8	---	---
Bulgaria	---	---	107.0	16.0
Denmark	45.0	11.2	---	---
Germany, West	---	---	56.0	11.0
Japan	---	---	28.0	4.0
Netherlands	2,500.0	620.6	1,889.0	366.0
Poland	1,060.0	281.8	1,687.0	313.0
Romania	1,393.2	321.5	1,883.0	328.0
Turkey	1,831.5	340.9	1,016.0	153.0
Total	6,852.2	1,580.8	6,666.0	1,191.0
ROSEMARY:				
France	54.5	5.2	75.0	7.7
Germany, West	---	---	6.5	.6
Netherlands	5.5	.9	10.9	2.0
Portugal	226.6	12.7	356.5	20.8
Spain	26.4	1.3	43.9	3.3
Yugoslavia	39.3	3.0	40.4	4.3
Total	352.3	23.1	533.2	38.7
SAGE:				
Albania	591.6	96.2	719.3	118.1
Greece	4.7	1.4	2.2	.4
Italy	26.2	4.4	158.9	32.5
Turkey	37.4	2.9	98.7	8.7
Yugoslavia	819.2	247.0	1,145.4	344.5
USSR	---	---	63.9	4.8
Other	---	---	2.5	2.2
Total	1,479.1	351.9	2,190.9	511.2
SAGE (Ground or rubbed):				
Not specified	2.3	.6	---	---
Total	2.3	.6	---	---
SAVOFY:				
France	25.6	3.3	9.5	1.2
Netherlands5	.6	---	---
Yugoslavia	80.4	7.6	54.0	3.2
Total	106.5	11.5	63.5	4.4
SESAME SEED:				
Arabia	150.0	31.5	25.0	5.0
Egypt	221.4	20.3	---	---
Ethiopia	12,891.2	1,436.1	3,244.0	348.0
Guatemala	999.8	123.5	4,966.0	635.0
Lebanon	59.5	10.7	---	---
Mexico	1,773.9	729.4	11,035.0	1,212.0
Nicaragua	9,971.3	2,068.1	8,748.0	1,811.0
Salvador	246.0	33.6	4,438.0	595.0
Sudan	1,850.8	176.2	3,049.0	346.0
Other	37.7	8.1	349.0	47.0
Total	28,201.6	4,637.5	35,854.0	4,999.0

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United States: Imports of specified condiments and flavoring materials by country of origin, 1966-67--Continued

Commodity and origin 1/	1966		1967 2/	
	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars
TARRAGON:				
France	1.2	1.4	---	---
Yugoslavia	12.0	6.0	34.2	20.9
Other	1.0	.6	---	---
Total	14.2	8.0	34.2	20.9
THYME:				
France	405.2	110.8	400.1	114.9
Greece	---	---	4.8	2.0
Kenya	---	---	6.5	1.7
Netherlands	---	---	.1	.5
Portugal	---	---	2.3	.4
Spain	368.8	51.4	539.4	65.6
Turkey	10.8	1.5	---	---
Total	784.8	163.7	953.2	185.1
TURMERIC:				
Haiti	120.9	13.1	---	---
India	3,445.1	451.6	1,799.6	196.7
Jamaica	228.4	22.2	125.3	11.1
Total	3,794.4	486.9	1,924.9	207.8
VANILLA BEANS:				
France	11.2	48.5	9.4	42.6
French Polynesia	25.5	132.9	23.2	135.2
Indonesia	122.8	345.4	129.4	350.1
Malagasy Republic 4/	1,575.5	7,165.8	1,004.9	4,615.8
Malaysia	33.3	148.9	11.9	55.1
Mexico	31.0	124.3	90.9	379.8
Mozambique	11.0	51.0	---	---
Uganda	7.9	35.1	3.7	17.2
Other	34.1	143.8	9.2	42.3
Total	1,852.3	8,195.7	1,282.6	5,638.1
MIXED SPICES:				
Canada	7.1	4.6	---	---
Germany, West	4.9	4.9	17.6	17.2
India	9.0	1.8	2.8	2.0
Morocco	23.1	2.7	11.0	1.2
Turkey	10.6	1.8	---	---
Other	12.2	5.4	15.0	10.7
Total	66.9	21.2	46.4	31.1

1/ Unground, unless otherwise specified. 2/ Preliminary. 3/ Ground and unground.
4/ Includes Comores and Reunion.

Specified condiments: United States approximate average annual import value
from selected origins 1/

Condiment and origin 2/	1966	1967	Condiment and origin 2/	1966	1967
	Cents per lb.	Cents per lb.		Cents per lb.	Cents per lb.
ALLSPICE (PIMENTO):			MARJORAM:		
Guatemala	85.8	67.0	France	39.3	40.7
Jamaica	97.6	82.8	Mexico	14.9	15.4
ANISE SEED:			MINT LEAVES:		
Mexico	36.0	25.0	Egypt	51.6	58.1
Spain	29.3	25.5	Romania	73.0	19.9
Turkey	17.9	---	MUSTARD SEED:		
BASIL:			Canada	6.2	6.7
France	34.5	---	Denmark	9.2	8.4
Hungary	27.6	28.6	NUTMEGS:		
CAPERS:			Indonesia	81.3	62.0
Morocco	17.9	28.0	West Indies	101.3	71.7
Spain	17.8	21.5	ORGANUM LEAVES:		
CAPSICUM PEPPERS:			Greece	33.1	30.0
Japan	24.4	28.5	Mexico	20.2	16.8
Mexico	18.6	16.6	PAPRIKA: 3/		
Turkey	25.5	26.4	Bulgaria	35.1	35.8
Uganda	46.4	31.6	Morocco	29.0	29.0
CARAWAY SEED:			Spain	37.2	37.1
Netherlands	17.8	16.8	Yugoslavia	30.7	33.3
Poland	16.6	15.5	PARSLEY:		
CARDAMON SEED:			Canada	---	8.8
Guatemala	317.4	292.8	Hungary	17.1	---
India	381.8	375.6	PEPPER, BLACK:		
CASSIA:			Brazil	34.6	25.8
Indonesia	58.0	69.8	India	37.8	32.1
Vietnam, South	79.8	79.8	Indonesia	34.6	27.5
CELERY SEED:			PEPPER, WHITE:		
France	37.5	35.5	Brazil	49.4	35.3
India	15.6	15.9	Indonesia	50.9	37.5
CINNAMON:			POPPY SEED:		
Ceylon	116.9	114.8	Netherlands	24.8	19.4
Seychelles	14.1	14.5	Poland	26.6	18.6
CLOVES:			Romania	23.1	17.4
Malagasy Republic ...	32.2	31.8	Turkey	18.6	15.1
Tanzania	41.4	41.7	ROSEMARY:		
CORIANDER SEED:			Portugal	5.6	5.8
Morocco	8.7	11.4	SAGE:		
Romania	7.7	8.9	Albania	16.3	16.4
CUMMIN SEED:			Yugoslavia	30.1	30.1
India	35.7	20.3	SAVORY:		
Iran	31.6	18.7	Yugoslavia	9.4	5.9
Syria	32.9	---	SESAME SEED:		
CURRY & CURRY POWDER:			Ethiopia	11.1	10.7
India	56.6	65.9	Mexico	41.1	11.0
DILL SEED:			Nicaragua	20.7	20.7
India	10.7	11.0	Sudan	9.5	11.3
Mexico	23.0	21.5	TARRAGON:		
FENNEL SEED:			Yugoslavia	50.2	61.1
Bulgaria	17.8	13.2	THYME:		
India	17.6	18.8	France	27.4	28.7
GINGER:			Spain	13.9	12.2
India	28.7	18.5	TURMERIC:		
Jamaica	34.8	25.8	India	13.1	10.9
Nigeria	12.9	13.6	Jamaica	9.7	8.9
LAURAL LEAVES:			VANILLA BEANS:		
Turkey	17.0	18.6	French Polynesia	521.6	582.8
MACE:			Indonesia	281.3	270.6
Indonesia	121.4	102.1	Malagasy Republic ...	454.8	459.3
West Indies	170.3	110.4	Mexico	400.4	417.8

1/ Market value in country of origin, exclusive of U. S. import duty, freight, and insurance charges.

2/ Unground or not manufactured unless otherwise specified. 3/ Ground and unground.

Exports of specified spices and flavoring materials
by major producing countries, 1966 with comparisons

Item and country	Average, 1960-64	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
BLACK and WHITE PEPPER:							
Indonesia	55,082	56,752	38,850	96,127	51,656	27,272	46,304
India	42,581	38,514	55,142	41,736	36,217	50,025	54,803
Sarawak	22,482	24,532	25,935	25,627	27,136	39,455	29,241
Brazil	6,191	6,470	6,094	5,240	8,920	16,305	14,060
Malagasy Republic	2,741	2,840	2,357	1,989	4,215	3,402	2,440
Cambodia	2,230	2,934	1,803	1,915	1,814	3,976	3,259
Ceylon	623	63	101	208	1,236	1,531	677
Total	131,930	132,105	130,282	172,842	131,194	141,966	150,784
VANILLA BEANS:							
Malagasy Republic	1,065	1,290	1,411	644	1,384	2,169	1,951
French Polynesia	440	492	461	492	364	293	242
Comores	264	198	106	456	386	368	296
Reunion	93	93	73	132	97	126	37
Mexico	131	227	86	49	38	85	49
Indonesia	63	51	99	1/ 56	1/ 85	1/ 131	1/ 123
Seychelles	10	9	15	5	3	3	11
Guadeloupe	4	---	4	9	9	4	2
Uganda	4	6	2	2	5	6	14
Dominica	2	2	1	1	1/ 2	1/ 2	1/ 2
Total	2,076	2,368	2,258	1,846	2,373	3,187	2,727
GINGER ROOT:							
India	12,068	16,265	15,176	11,066	8,725	8,758	11,357
Nigeria	4,015	1,819	3,766	5,766	5,905	4,171	6,270
Sierra Leone	1,310	1,325	1,131	1,313	1,547	1,828	1,027
Jamaica	1,390	1,511	1,020	1,281	1,426	1,941	1,844
Total	18,783	20,920	21,093	19,426	17,603	16,698	20,498
CLOVES:							
Tanzania	21,318	18,634	17,308	25,091	17,942	18,906	30,257
Malagasy Republic	8,219	11,949	9,900	4,533	10,688	9,751	7,437
Total	29,537	30,583	27,208	29,624	28,630	28,657	37,694
CINNAMON:							
Ceylon	6,392	6,810	6,515	6,298	6,367	6,135	6,076
Seychelles	2,392	2,192	2,676	2,251	2,643	4,230	3,447
Total	8,784	9,002	9,191	8,549	9,010	10,365	9,523
CASSIA:							
Indonesia	20,257	19,482	24,689	21,162	19,010	15,655	2/
South Vietnam	1,295	1,806	527	723	1,219	853	2/
Total	21,552	21,288	25,216	21,885	20,229	16,508	2/
NUTMEGS:							
Indonesia	9,025	7,575	7,915	9,341	9,949	8,684	2/
Grenada	1,232	908	1,331	1,581	971	3,277	1,989
Ceylon	300	153	155	574	366	179	314
St. Vincent	111	94	159	108	133	205	2/
Trinidad & Tobago	89	92	78	113	78	129	90
Total	10,757	8,822	9,638	11,717	11,497	12,474	2,393
MACE:							
Indonesia	1,458	977	1,532	1,728	2,165	1,173	2/
Grenada	243	175	322	369	197	558	111
Ceylon	23	9	9	37	31	10	4
St. Vincent	19	17	25	20	20	40	2/
Trinidad & Tobago	17	64	3	7	2	14	6
Total	1,760	1,242	1,891	2,161	2,415	1,795	121

1/ Estimated. 2/ Not available.

BLACK AND WHITE PEPPER: Distribution of exports by
specified countries, 1966

Continent and country	India	Sarawak	Indonesia 1/	Brazil	Malagasy Republic	Singapore (reexports)
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
Western Europe:						
EEC:						
Belgium-Luxembourg	11	34	762	66	---	424
France	151	---	662	582	1,987	1,729
Germany, West	17	2,061	2,766	2,088	11	682
Italy	4,192	22	46	29	198	722
Netherlands	23	---	2,120	196	---	305
Subtotal	4,394	2,117	6,356	2,961	2,196	3,862
Other Western Europe:						
United Kingdom	47	273	1,140	626	---	6,046
Yugoslavia	2,987	---	25	---	---	4
Other	538	717	62	11	---	2,592
Total	7,966	3,107	7,583	3,598	2,196	12,504
Eastern Europe & USSR:						
Bulgaria	519	---	---	---	---	25
Czechoslovakia	1,649	---	---	---	---	---
Germany, East	908	---	348	---	---	---
Hungary	1,345	---	91	---	---	---
Poland	2,030	---	57	---	---	---
Romania	2,129	---	343	---	---	---
USSR	16,872	---	---	386	---	45
Total	25,452	---	839	386	---	70
Other:						
Argentina	---	---	---	2,643	---	---
Australia	55	---	---	---	---	1,414
Canada	2,976	65	---	---	---	675
Egypt	1,268	---	---	---	---	53
Hong Kong	---	213	1,132	---	---	415
Japan	78	240	952	4	---	3,000
Mexico	---	---	---	754	---	31
Morocco	209	381	---	---	67	3,745
Singapore	319	24,429	616	---	---	---
South Africa	---	269	---	---	---	997
United States	11,702	---	11,553	5,611	---	8,113
Not specified	4,778	537	2,345	1,064	177	2,351
Grand total	54,803	29,241	25,020	14,060	2,440	40,368

1/ Distribution data available for January-September only.

Distribution of exports of specified spices and
flavoring materials, 1966

Destination	Vanilla Beans		Cloves		Nutmegs	Mace
	Malagasy	Mexico	Tanzania	Malagasy	Grenada	
	Republic			Republic		
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
Aden	---	---	224	14	---	---
Algeria	---	---	---	291	---	---
Arabia	---	---	740	11	---	---
Argentina	---	11	52	---	---	---
Australia	9	---	88	---	---	---
Belgium-Lux.	---	---	---	45	---	---
Canada	4	---	133	11	55	24
China, Mainland ..	---	---	672	---	---	---
France	297	---	---	416	---	---
Germany, West	127	---	---	968	115	---
Hong Kong	---	---	246	---	---	---
India	---	---	3,169	---	---	---
Indonesia	---	---	20,040	96	---	---
Ireland	---	---	4	8	---	---
Italy	---	---	---	177	---	---
Japan	---	---	382	55	---	---
Libya	---	---	35	222	---	---
Morocco	---	---	---	466	---	---
Netherlands	---	---	---	224	1,368	---
Pakistan	---	---	524	---	---	---
Spain	---	---	---	41	---	---
Sudan	---	---	419	---	---	---
Sweden	---	---	---	52	---	---
Tunisia	---	---	---	11	---	---
Turkey	---	---	35	66	---	---
United Kingdom ...	7	---	375	---	165	111
United States	1,505	38	69	2,575	200	7
U.S.S.R.	---	---	1,120	---	---	---
Not specified	2	---	1,930	1,688	86	104
Total	1,951	49	30,257	7,437	1,989	246

GINGER: Distribution of exports by specified
producing countries, 1966

Destination	India	Nigeria	Sierra Leone	Jamaica	Fiji Islands 1/
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
Aden	4,950	28	---	---	---
Australia	---	---	---	16	---
Belgium-Lux.	---	15	---	---	---
Canada	90	13	31	130	88
Germany, West	---	636	---	---	---
Japan	---	29	---	---	---
Malaysia	314	---	---	---	---
Morocco	482	---	52	---	---
Netherlands	45	355	275	---	---
New Zealand	---	---	---	---	49
Saudi Arabia	2,274	16	---	---	---
Singapore	168	---	---	---	---
Sudan	392	---	---	---	---
Sweden	11	63	---	---	---
United Kingdom	280	2,736	288	929	---
United States	392	2,121	381	694	669
U.S.S.R.	224	---	---	---	---
Not specified	1,735	258	---	75	---
Total	11,357	6,270	1,027	1,844	806

1/ Green ginger.

BLACK PEPPER: Average wholesale price per pound, bagged, carlots, f.o.b. New York, by months

Year	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Average
	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents	cents
1940.....	4.3	4.2	4.3	4.2	4.0	3.8	3.8	4.0	4.1	4.2	4.2	4.4	4.1
1941.....	4.4	4.7	6.3	6.5	7.2	6.2	6.1	6.5	6.4	6.2	6.2	6.5	6.1
1942.....	6.6	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.4	6.5	6.6	6.6	6.7	6.7	6.6
1943.....	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8
1944.....	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	9.4	10.0	10.0	7.5
1945.....	10.0	10.0	12.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
1946.....	10.0	10.0	12.5	15.0	15.0	15.0	39.2	51.6	70.5	78.0	82.0	64.7	38.6
1947.....	53.9	54.2	53.7	41.8	31.4	32.6	33.2	35.1	39.8	52.8	54.8	46.4	44.1
1948.....	44.2	42.3	40.7	44.9	47.2	54.9	57.8	73.3	83.8	94.9	82.6	79.9	62.2
1949.....	68.2	67.2	86.3	89.9	89.1	102.5	109.8	134.2	128.5	133.4	131.4	133.4	106.1
1950.....	129.8	144.4	144.8	140.9	140.9	116.9	171.4	265.6	214.4	169.8	151.2	158.5	162.4
1951.....	174.4	189.8	163.4	165.9	163.2	165.5	168.5	177.1	177.0	168.3	165.9	153.5	169.3
1952.....	134.0	144.0	147.5	110.0	131.5	152.0	185.5	177.0	190.0	173.5	162.5	137.0	153.7
1953.....	113.5	122.0	150.0	144.0	146.0	143.0	130.0	125.0	130.0	125.0	95.0	110.0	127.8
1954.....	102.0	92.0	89.0	77.0	69.5	51.0	63.0	102.0	76.0	61.0	50.5	45.5	73.2
1955.....	41.0	46.0	45.0	45.5	49.5	52.8	50.3	45.0	43.5	42.5	39.0	37.8	44.8
1956.....	35.5	33.0	32.0	29.5	28.8	31.0	30.5	36.0	34.0	29.0	30.0	28.5	31.5
1957.....	26.0	29.0	26.0	27.0	28.5	30.5	27.0	27.5	27.0	25.0	25.5	25.8	27.1
1958.....	24.5	23.5	24.5	26.8	26.0	26.3	29.0	28.3	27.5	25.5	26.0	24.3	26.0
1959.....	24.5	25.8	26.0	26.5	25.8	25.8	25.8	29.3	32.3	32.0	40.0	50.5	30.3
1960.....	73.0	60.0	58.0	62.0	54.5	68.0	66.0	58.0	55.0	46.0	55.0	43.0	58.2
1961.....	48.0	46.5	50.0	48.0	47.0	47.8	46.5	45.5	46.0	44.0	40.0	38.0	45.6
1962.....	37.3	36.5	38.5	35.3	34.3	37.0	35.3	35.3	39.0	43.0	35.0	33.0	36.6
1963.....	32.0	34.0	34.0	35.0	33.0	29.5	31.0	33.0	33.0	38.0	36.0	35.0	33.6
1964.....	35.0	33.3	36.0	42.0	39.3	38.3	39.0	39.0	39.3	39.0	41.8	44.0	38.8
1965.....	52.0	51.5	47.0	45.3	46.0	46.5	47.8	50.3	48.8	47.3	46.3	45.8	47.9
1966.....	46.0	45.3	44.3	44.0	43.3	41.8	44.3	43.5	42.5	44.0	41.8	39.3	43.3
1967.....	37.8	35.5	37.3	40.0	39.0	38.8	39.8	38.3	38.3	38.8	38.8	38.8	38.4
1968.....	38.8												
1969.....													
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